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COMMENTS ON STATEMENT OF REASONS FOR ALLOWANCE

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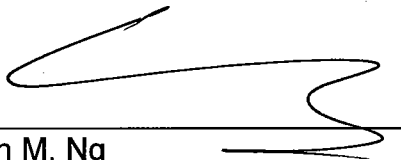
Sir:

In the Notice of Allowability mailed April 16, 2008, the Examiner allowed claims 38-44 and 55-57. Although the applicants' attorney agrees with the Examiner's conclusion that these claims are allowable, the applicants' attorney notes that the claims may be allowable for reasons other than those identified by the Examiner and does not

concede that the Examiner's characterizations of the terms of the claims and the prior art are correct.

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